

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

United States of America,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 24-10560

v.

Judith E. Levy

United States District Judge

JA Tax Services, LLC, *et al.*,

Mag. Judge Kimberly G. Altman

Defendants.

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**ORDER STRIKING EXHIBITS TO DEFENDANT TASHA  
WASHINGTON'S ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT  
[22-1, 22-2, 22-3, 22-4]**

The Court has reviewed Defendant Tasha Washington's answer to the complaint and its exhibits. (ECF Nos. 22, 22-1, 22-2, 22-3, 22-4.) The Court strikes the exhibits for the following reason:

- ☐ Missing statement of concurrence or the statement of concurrence does not comply with Local Rule 7.1(a). *See* E.D. Mich. LR 7.1(a).
- ☐ Wrong font size or improper formatting (e.g., single-spaced, improper margins, no page numbers, etc.). *See* E.D. Mich. LR 5.1(a)(2)–(3).
- ☐ Over-length. *See* E.D. Mich. LR 7.1(d)(3).

- ☐ Brief missing required information (e.g., concise statement of issues, controlling or most appropriate authority). *See* E.D. Mich. LR 7.1(d)(2).
- ☐ Exhibits do not comply with Rule 19(b) of the Electronic Filing Policies and Procedures (e.g., index, separate attachment for each exhibit). *See* E.D. Mich. LR 5.1(d)(1), 5.1.1(a).
- ☒ Contains information that must be redacted (e.g., social security number, taxpayer identification number, birth date, minor's name, financial account number). *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 5.2.
- ☐ Non-compliance with Local Rule 5.3 regarding filing an item under seal in a civil case. *See* E.D. Mich. LR 5.3.
- ☐ Failure to comply with the discovery dispute protocol set forth in the Court's Practice Guidelines. *See Judge Judith E. Levy*, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, <https://www.mied.uscourts.gov/index.cfm?pageFunction=chambers&judgeid=44>.
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

The documents (ECF Nos. 22-1, 22-2, 22-3, 22-4) are STRICKEN and not part of the record. Defendant Tasha Washington may refile these documents if they are redacted,<sup>1</sup> or may request that the documents be filed under seal.

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<sup>1</sup> Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5.2(a) describes required redactions for documents with sensitive information:

(a) Redacted Filings. Unless the court orders otherwise, in an electronic or paper filing with the court that contains an individual's social-security

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 26, 2024  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

s/Judith E. Levy  
JUDITH E. LEVY  
United States District Judge

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing document was served upon counsel of record and any unrepresented parties via the Court's ECF System to their respective email or first-class U.S. mail addresses disclosed on the Notice of Electronic Filing on August 26, 2024.

s/William Barkholz  
WILLIAM BARKHOLZ  
Case Manager

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number, taxpayer-identification number, or birth date, the name of an individual known to be a minor, or a financial-account number, a party or nonparty making the filing may include only:

- (1) the last four digits of the social-security number and taxpayer-identification number;
- (2) the year of the individual's birth;
- (3) the minor's initials; and
- (4) the last four digits of the financial-account number.